apparatus comprising:

a vacuum envelope containing a plurality of electron-emitting devices wired by a plurality of row-directed wires and a plurality of column-directed wires to form a matrix wiring structure; and

a plate-shaped spacer capable of forming an electrical connection between a plurality of wires if arranged in electrical contact with the plurality of wires, said spacer being in electrical contact with only one wire of said row-directed or column-directed wires, wherein

said row-directed wires are laminated over said column-directed wires and said spacer is in electrical contact with one of said row-directed wires, or wherein said column-directed wires are laminated over said row-directed wires and said spacer is in electrical contact with one of said column-directed wires.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 57, 58 and 60-63 are presented for consideration, with Claim 57 being independent.

Claim 57 has been amended to include the features of Claim 59, which has been cancelled.

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